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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

## MIKE FAWAZ,

on behalf of himself and others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

Case No. 2:17-CV-12068 Hon. David M. Lawson

v.

ABCDE OPERATING, L.L.C., d/b/a "THE PENTHOUSE CLUB", and ALAN MARKOVITZ,

Defendants.

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## **DECLARATION OF MIKE FAWAZ**

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. 1746, Mike Fawaz declares the following:

- 1. I am the Plaintiff in this matter.
- 2. Prior to agreeing to the settlement reached in this case my attorneys informed me that there were disputed issues regarding whether I would be entitled to receive liquidated damages, whether a two- or three-year statute of limitations

would apply, and regarding the number of overtime hours for which I could

receive compensation should the case proceed to trial.

3. I am aware and understand that, should the case proceed to trial, I

could recover more than the amount of the settlement, less than that amount or the

same amount.

4. I am satisfied that, given the disputes stated above, the settlement

which was reached is a fair and acceptable resolution of the case.

5. I am aware of the fact that my attorneys will receive 1/3 of the amount

of the gross settlement as attorney fees, which is in accord with the retainer

agreement which I signed.

6. I am also aware that the amount of costs which were paid by my

attorneys is to be deducted from the net amount of the settlement I am to receive,

which is again in accord with the retainer agreement which I signed.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Mike Fawaz

Dated: December 12, 2017